Upgradation of the existing Homes:

(v) At Gwalior, Indore and Jabalpur

(b) These proposals will be cleared on receipt of the additional information/documents called for from the Government of Madhya Pradesh, subject to availability of funds.

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†1658. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Minorities Commission does not have adequate rights or resources to protect the minorities;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Commission requires autonomy to accomplish its task properly;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the National Minorities Development and Finance corporation has become an organization on paper only; and

(d) if so, the action being taken by Government to make the National Commission for Minorities effective?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) The National Commission for Minorities has been constituted in accordance with the provisions of the NCM Act, 1992, Section 9 of the Act lists out the functions of the Commission as well as the powers available to the Commission for performing some of these functions.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.